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Applicant : ECKES et al.

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IMAGES

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**PRELIMINARY**  
**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

5. (Amended) The method according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein the structure of the node-associated jets, which is determined by the sub-jets, depends on the respective node.

6. (Amended) The method according to [one of the claims 1 to 4] claim 1, wherein the structure of the node-associated jets, which is determined by the sub-jets, is identical for all nodes.